

United States Department of the Interior
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

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1. Name

historic Haley, Francis, House

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 634 Maryland Avenue

N/A not for publication

city town Cumberland vicinity of congressional district Sixth

state Maryland code 24 county Allegany code 001

3. Classification

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| Category | Ownership | Status | Present Use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> district | <input type="checkbox"/> public | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied | <input type="checkbox"/> agriculture |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> structure | <input type="checkbox"/> both | <input type="checkbox"/> work in progress | <input type="checkbox"/> educational |
| <input type="checkbox"/> site | Public Acquisition | Accessible | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> object | <input type="checkbox"/> in process | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted | <input type="checkbox"/> religious |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> being considered | <input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted | <input type="checkbox"/> scientific |
| | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> no | <input type="checkbox"/> transportation |
| | | | <input type="checkbox"/> other: |

4. Owner of Property

name Ms. Jane Troutman

street & number 634 Maryland Avenue

city, town Cumberland vicinity of

state Maryland 21502

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Allegany County Courthouse

street & number Prospect Square

city, town Cumberland

state Maryland 21502

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title Maryland Historical Trust Historic Sites Survey

has this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☒ no

date 1980

☐ federal ☒ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records Maryland Historical Trust

city, town Annapolis

state Maryland 21401

A. Description

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| Condition | | Check one | Check one |
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DESCRIPTION SUMMARY, SEE CONTINUATION SHEET #1

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Francis Haley House stands at 634 Maryland Avenue in the Rolling Mill District of southeastern Cumberland, Allegany County. The structure which sits back a few feet from the sidewalk, is located along the eastern side of Maryland Avenue across from the intersection of Spring Street in the block formed by Williams and Jefferson Streets.

By far the most elaborate dwelling in the surrounding area, the Francis Haley House is a circa 1870 Italianate influenced brick structure two and a half stories high with a low gable roof and brick foundation. It consists of two perpendicularly placed rectangular blocks with a lower two story gable roofed brick wing projecting from the back or east side of the block horizontal to Maryland Avenue. The bricks, red in color, are laid in Common bond with six rows of stretchers between the rows of headers. The roof of the main section of the house has a wide overhang with ornate scroll brackets. A one story frame porch with chamfered square posts, scroll brackets, braces, drops, and cut-out balustrades stretches along the facade or west elevation of the south block of the main house. A one story frame porch also with chamfered square posts and scroll brackets but now enclosed with windows and doors runs along the north side of the north block of the main house.

The principal windows of the main house are double-hung wooden sashes with four-over-four lights, narrow wooden frames, wooden sills, flanking louvered wooden exterior shutters, and recently installed metal storm windows on several. Small one-sash, one-light, round arch windows are located in the three gables of the main house and two rectangular one-light windows in the east gables of the wing. The principal windows of the wing are rectangular with six-over-six light double-hung wooden sashes.

The main entrance into the house is from the facade porch near the union of the two main blocks. It consists of two wooden doors with one large rectangular window with beveled glass in each and a leaded-glass rectangular transom. The entire entranceway is now covered with storm doors and windows. The other entrances into the house are simple rectangular doorways.

The house has three interior chimneys, two nearly centered in the main section of the house and one on the end wall of the wing. A porch and balcony with a cut-out balustrade and chamfered posts extend along the north side of the wing.

On the interior, the rooms are arranged around a center hall which contains the main staircase. To the north of the hall are double parlors and to the south a single room, now used as a dining room, with a pantry and kitchen to the east in the wing. The interior decorative detailing consists primarily of plain wide architrave molding, four panel doors, and simple wooden mantels with flat chamfered pilasters. The stair balustrade is constructed of cherry wood and has turned newels and balusters. The walls are pilastered with wainscotting in the kitchen.

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The Francis Haley House is structurally sound and remains fairly original in condition. The only alterations consist of later plumbing fixtures and minor renovations to the kitchen facilities all of which were probably made in the first forty to fifty years of the 20th century.

The property has an iron fence manufactured by the Stuart Company of Cincinnati, Ohio, and probably original to the property, along a portion of the streetside.

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| Period | Areas of Significance—Check and justify below | | | |
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Specific dates 1870s Builder Architect unknown

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph) Applicable Criteria: B and C

SIGNIFICANCE

The Francis Haley House is a circa 1870 Italianate influenced dwelling that was erected as the residence of a brick manufacturer. Modest in scale and execution, the structure is a typical and well-preserved example of mid-20th century Italianate influenced domestic architecture in Cumberland. It consists of two perpendicularly placed brick rectangular blocks with low gable roofs supported by brackets, round arch windows in the gable ends, simple interior decorative detailing though heavy in massing, and a concentration of decoration on the facade porch. Other examples of this type of house can be found throughout the older sections of Cumberland on the "lesser" residential streets. What separates them from the Italianates found on the wealthier avenues is the lack of elaborate detailing, primarily the square tower, stuccoed exteriors with bold window and door treatment, and stone mantelpieces. The house also acquires significance from its association with Francis Haley, a successful brick manufacturer who was responsible for the development of much of this section of Cumberland and for whom the house was erected.

HISTORY AND SUPPORTIVE DATA

Construction of the house is believed to have begun sometime after Haley purchased the land in 1868 in two transactions (Deed Books 28, page 637 and 29, page 134). The house is illustrated as existing on an 1875 map of Cumberland. Haley transferred title to the property to a trustee in 1878 but apparently continued to reside in the house until his death about 1885. The trustee offered the property in a "mortgagee's sale" in March 1885. The house is described in advertisements for this sale as "the residence of the late Francis Haley." Title to the property changed several times until being acquired by the present owner in 1977 at which time the house had deteriorated severely but still retained most of its original fabric. The house today appears much as it did when occupied by Haley.

Little precise information is known about Haley and his business operation. Historical map, local histories and court records indicate that the brick yards which were also located in this section of town were extensive, that he was involved in construction by the 1840s and brick manufacturing by at least the 1860s if not earlier, and that he had substantial land holdings in this section of Cumberland. He is identified in Lowdermilk's history as one of the builders of the Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church (1848) on Center Street in Cumberland (pp. 469–470). A plat covers much of this region of town but although he apparently was responsible for some of the buildings scattered throughout the neighborhood, most of the houses post date his death.

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Haley was elected to the Cumberland City Council in 1866, 1872, and 1873. In 1875 he was appointed a member of the committee for building a new city hall.

The section of town in which the Francis Haley House stands is known as the Rolling Mill District, a name that refers to an industrial function that was established in the area about 1867 by the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. With the expansion of railroad operations, Cumberland, particularly the Rolling Mill District, rapidly expanded in population and size. As noted above, however, Haley died before the Rolling Mill District fully developed into the residential area it is today.

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9. Major Bibliographic Physical References

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SEE CONTINUATION SHEET #3.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property Less than one acreQuadrangle name Cumberland QuadrangleQuadrangle scale 1:24000

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Verbal boundary description and justification

The property is almost a rectangular plot and measures 76.3' along Maryland Avenue, 145' along the north side, 159.4' along the south side, and 77.84' along the rear line.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

| state | N/A | code | county | code |
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11. Form Prepared By

name/title David A. Dorsey and Ronald L. Andrewsorganization Maryland Historical Trust date September 1980street & number 21 State Circle telephone (301) 269-2438city or town Annapolis state Maryland 21401

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature *J. M. With* 6-4-82title STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER date

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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

date

Keeper of the National Register

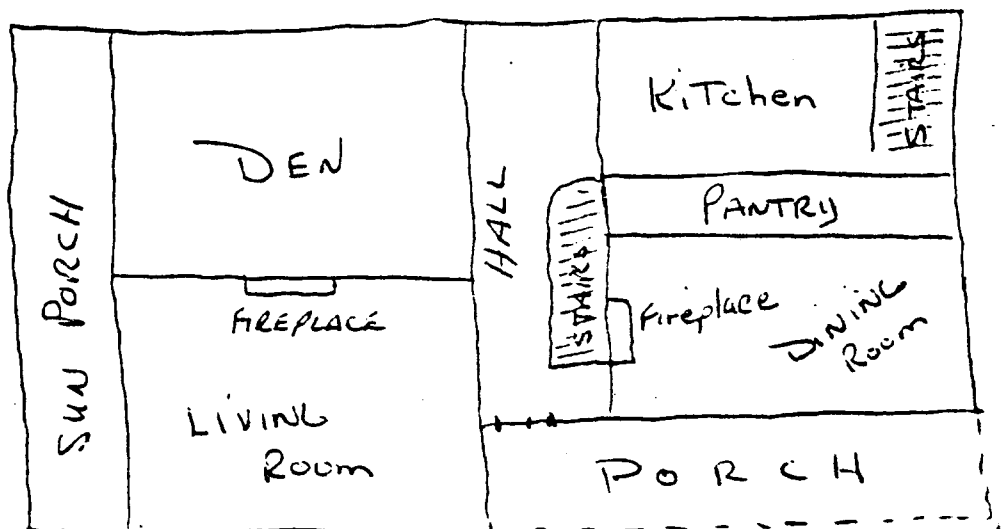
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Chief of Registration

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| 1870 | Keller Survey of Cumberland (1976) says house constructed | 34-718 |
| 1878 | Haley sold to Percy, Wm. (trustee) Sept 7. (3458 Equity Circuit Court) | 52-235 |
| 1885 | William Percy sold to Peter Wright (\$4,500 at public auction) | 62- 46 |
| 1892 | Wright sold to Percy (July 16) | 72-293 |
| 1897 | Percy sold to David Miller (realtor) | |
| 1897 | Miller sold to Peter Wright (\$3,300) | 80-436 |
| 1905 | Wright sold to Solomon George (\$4,500) | 97-125 |
| 1908 | George sold to Patrick L. Lacey (Nov. 30) | 104-18 |
| 1936 | Patrick Lacey to Oliver Bruce (Trustee) Oliver Bruce to Thomas J. Lacey (son) | 175-144 |
| 1962 | Thomas J. Lacey to Regina Hinds | 350-524 |
| 1976 | Hinds to Troutman | 487-534 |
| 1977 | W. R. Troutman to Jane Troutman | |

In 1908 house purchased by Patrick Lacey, Superintendant of B&O Railroad shops in Cumberland who's family owned home for 54 years.

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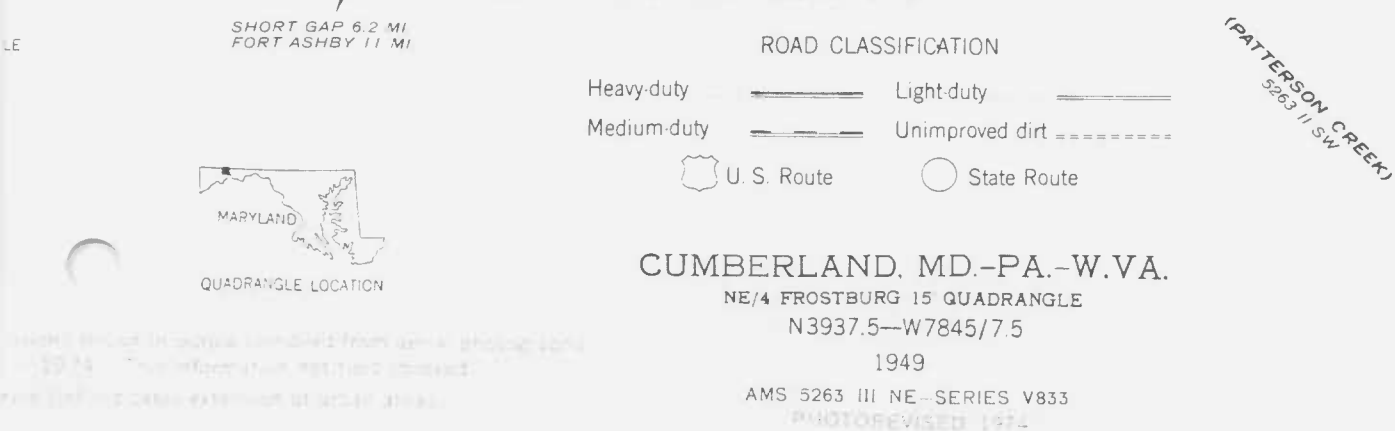
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*Frances Haley
Mansion*





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Francis Haley House
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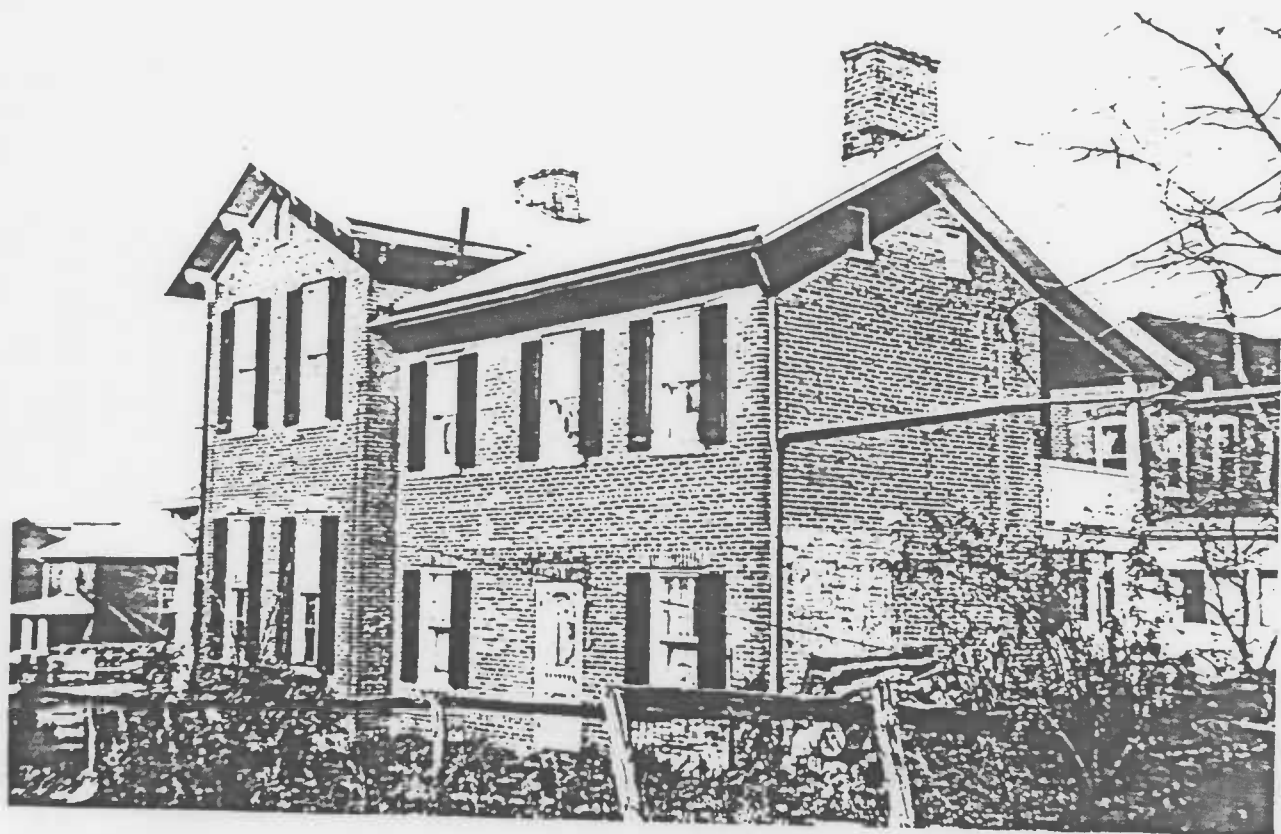
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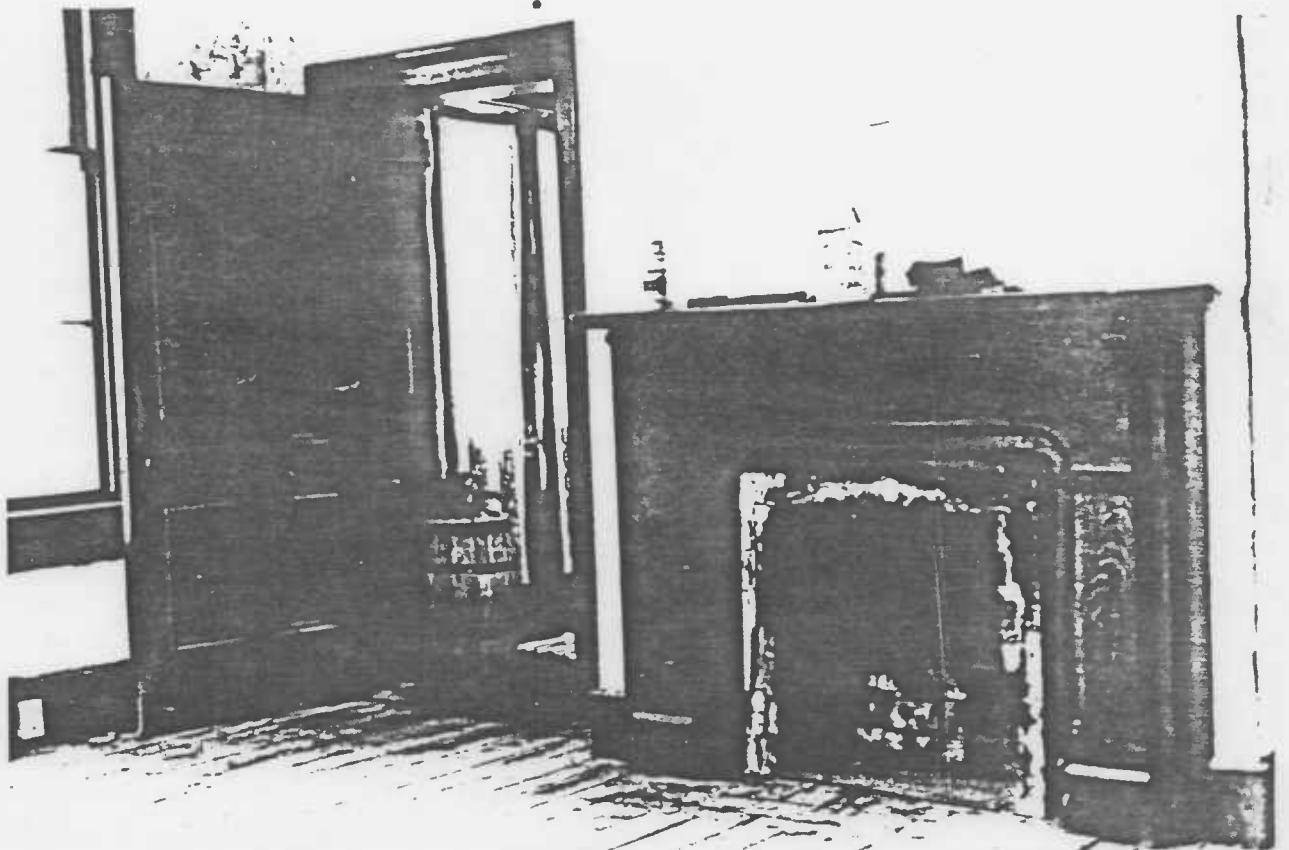
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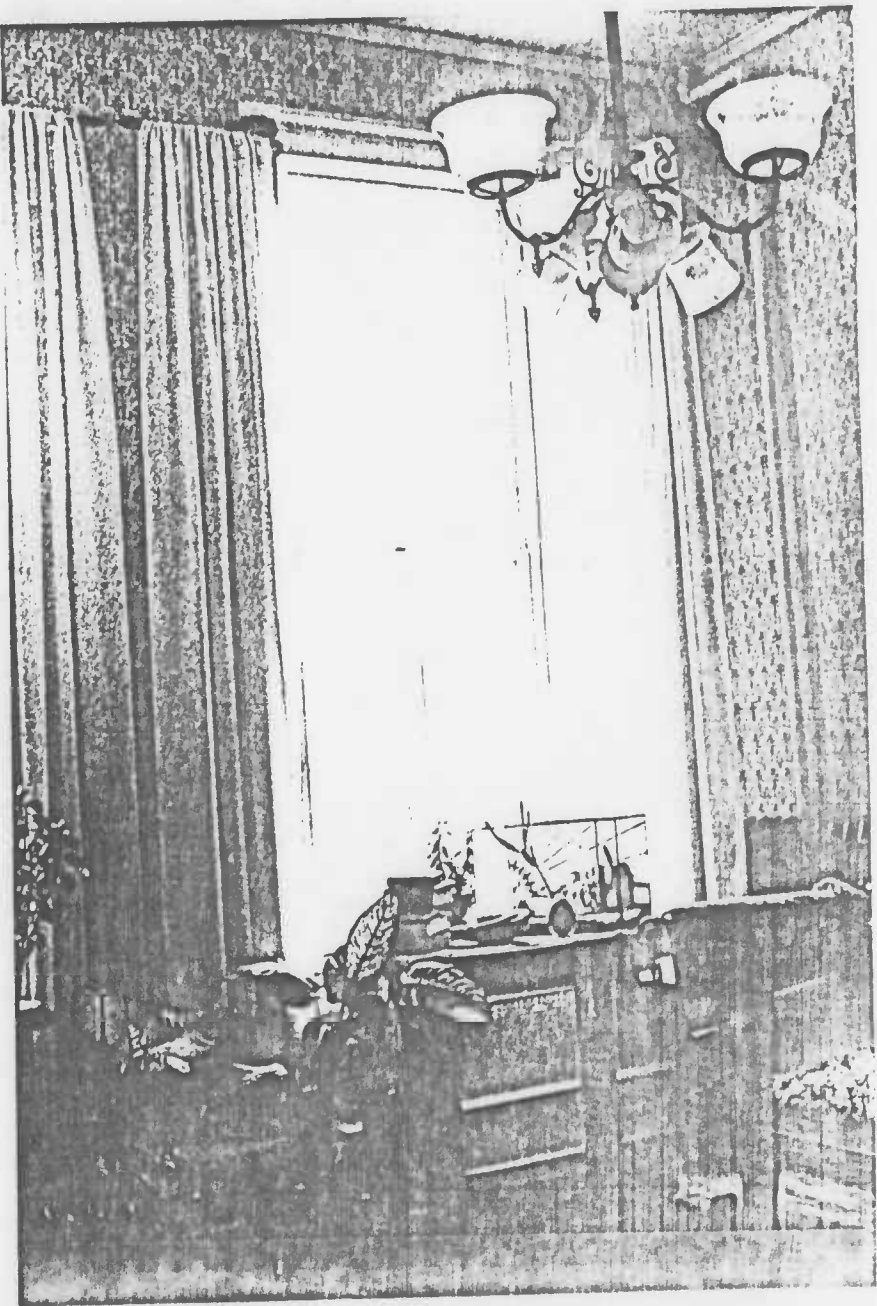
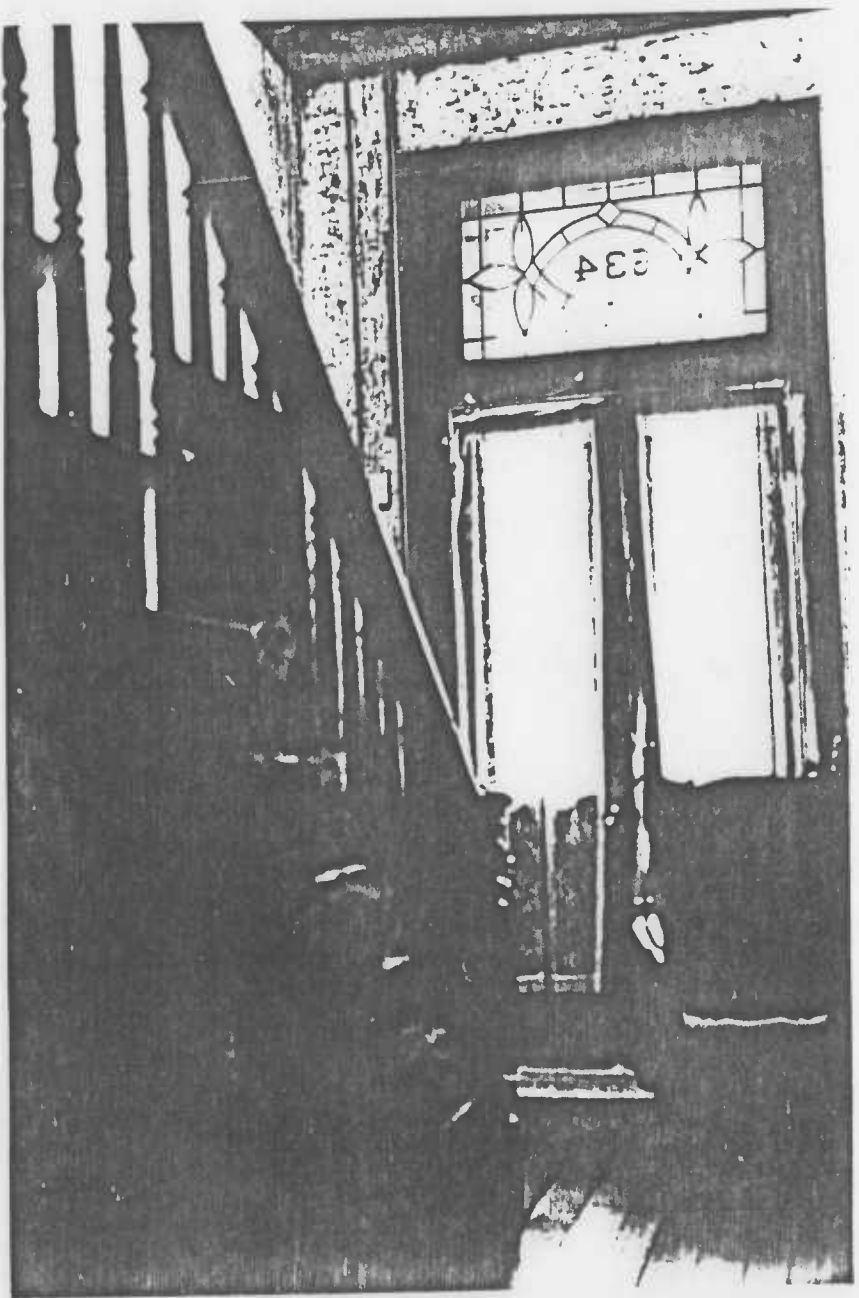
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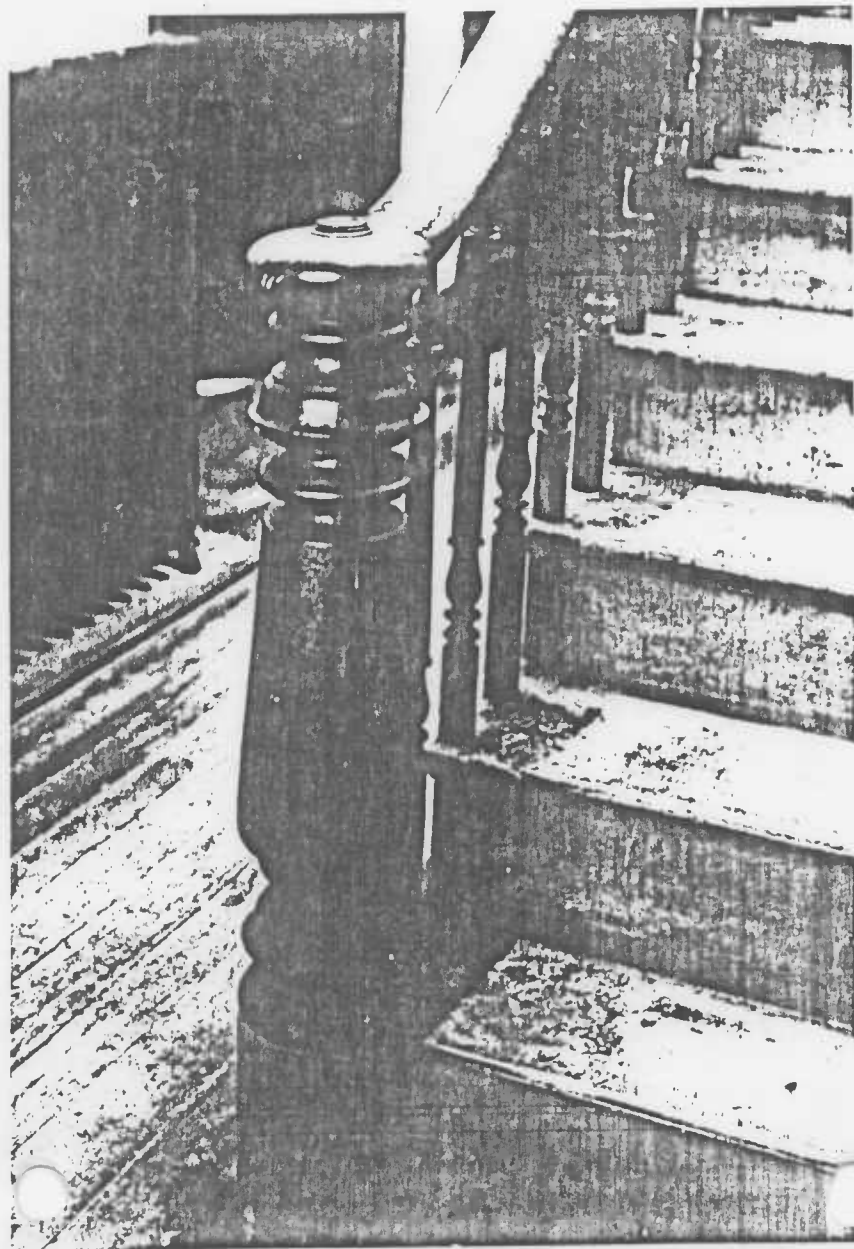


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FRANCIS HALEY MANSION

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Francis HALEY mansion

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